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5 associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
6 of a plurality of geometric shapes according to a predetermined set of rules;

7 placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
8 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

9 displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
10 user in graphical form.

1 2. (Amended) A method for visualizing data arrays provided  
2 in the form of a plurality of data values, said method comprising the steps of:

3 extracting a plurality of data values associated with a mathematical  
4 matrix to generate a grid based on the plurality of data values;

5 identifying one of a plurality of numerical attributes associated  
6 with each data value of the plurality of data values;

7 associating each numerical attribute with one of a plurality of  
8 visual attributes;

9 associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
10 of a plurality of geometric shapes each having one of the plurality of visual  
11 attributes, which is consistent with the data value, according to a predetermined  
12 set of rules;

13 placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
14 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

15 displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
16 user in graphical form.

1 2. (Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein the  
3 data arrays of the plurality of data values are the data arrays of conductance  
matrices.

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1               5. (Amended) An article of manufacture comprising a  
2 computer usable medium having computer readable program code means  
3 embodied therein for visualizing data arrays provided in the form of a plurality  
4 of data values, the computer readable program code means in said article of  
5 manufacture comprising computer readable program code means for causing a  
6 computer to effect:

7               extracting a plurality of data values associated with a mathematical  
8 matrix to generate a grid based on the plurality of data values;

9               associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
10 of a plurality of geometric shapes according to a predetermined set of rules;

11               placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
12 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

13               displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
14 user in graphical form.

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1               6. (Amended) An article of manufacture comprising a  
2 computer usable medium having computer readable program code means  
3 embodied therein for visualizing data arrays provided in the form of a plurality  
4 of data values, the computer readable program code means in said article of  
5 manufacture comprising computer readable program code means for causing a  
6 computer to effect:

7               extracting a plurality of data values associated with a mathematical  
8 matrix to generate a grid based on the plurality of data values;

9               identifying one of a plurality of numerical attributes associated  
10 with each data value of the plurality of data values;

11               associating each numerical attribute with one of a plurality of  
12 visual attributes;

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13 associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
14 of a plurality of geometric shapes each having one of the plurality of visual  
15 attributes, which is consistent with the data value, according to a predetermined  
16 set of rules;

17 placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
18 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

19 displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
20 user in graphical form.

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1 8. (Amended) The article of manufacture according to claim  
2 5, wherein the data arrays of the plurality of data values are the data arrays of  
3 conductance matrices.

1 9. (Amended) A computer program product comprising a  
2 computer usable medium having computer readable program code means  
3 embodied therein for causing visualization of data arrays provided in the form of  
4 a plurality of data values, the computer readable program code means in said  
5 computer program product comprising computer readable program code means  
6 for causing a computer to effect:

7 extracting a plurality of data values associated with a mathematical  
8 matrix to generate a grid based on the plurality of data values;

9 associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
10 of a plurality of geometric shapes according to a predetermined set of rules;

11 placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
12 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

13 displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
14 user in graphical form.

1 10. (Amended) A computer program product comprising a  
2 computer usable medium having computer readable program code means

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3 embodied therein for causing visualization of data arrays provided in the form of  
4 a plurality of data values, the computer readable program code means in said  
5 computer program product comprising computer readable program code means  
6 for causing a computer to effect:

7 extracting a plurality of data values associated with a mathematical  
8 matrix to generate a grid based on the plurality of data values;

9 identifying one of a plurality of numerical attributes associated  
10 with each data value of the plurality of data values;

11 associating each numerical attribute with one of a plurality of  
12 visual attributes;

13 associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
14 of a plurality of geometric shapes each having one of the plurality of visual  
15 attributes, which is consistent with the data value, according to a predetermined  
16 set of rules;

17 placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
18 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

19 displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
20 user in graphical form.

12. (Amended) The product according to claim 9, wherein the  
1 data arrays of the plurality of data values are the data arrays of conductance  
2 matrices.

13. (Amended) A storage device readable by machine, tangibly  
1 embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to perform a  
2 method for visualizing data arrays provided in the form of a plurality of data  
3 values, said method comprising the steps of:

5 extracting a plurality of data values associated with a mathematical  
6 matrix to generate a grid based on the plurality of data values;

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7 associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
8 of a plurality of geometric shapes according to a predetermined set of rules;

9 placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
10 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

11 displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
12 user in graphical form..

14. (Amended) A storage device readable by a machine,  
2 tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the machine to  
3 perform a method for visualizing data arrays provided in the form of a plurality  
4 of data values, said method comprising the steps of:

5 extracting a plurality of data values associated with a mathematical  
6 matrix to generate a grid based on the plurality of data values;

7 identifying one of a plurality of numerical attributes associated  
8 with each data value of the plurality of data values;

9 associating each numerical attribute with one of a plurality of  
10 visual attributes;

11 associating each data value of the plurality of data values with one  
12 of a plurality of geometric shapes each having one of the plurality of visual  
13 attributes, which is consistent with the data value, according to a predetermined  
14 set of rules;

15 placing said one of the plurality of geometric shapes associated  
16 with each data value of the plurality of data values on the grid; and

17 displaying visual and geometric information placed on the grid to a  
18 user in graphical form.

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16. (Amended) The device according to claim 13, wherein the  
data array of the plurality of data values are the data arrays of conductance  
matrices.

17. (Newly Added) The method according to claim 1, wherein  
the data arrays of the plurality of data values are the data arrays of mathematical  
models of systems.

18. (Newly Added) The article of manufacture according to  
claim 5, wherein the data arrays of the plurality of data values are the data  
arrays of mathematical models of systems.

19. (Newly Added) The product according to claim 9, wherein  
the data arrays of the plurality of data values are the data arrays of mathematical  
models of systems.

20. (New Added) The device according to claim 13, wherein  
the data array of the plurality of data values are the data arrays of mathematical  
models of systems.